Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the bulk drug	Unit	Earlier Price Rs. Ps.	Present Price Rs. Ps.	% increase
1	Vitamin A Acetate (0.5 MIU/gm)	1000 MIU	1297.87	2400.00 (Roche)	84.92
		"	1297.87	2600.00 (KSDP)	100.33
2	Vitamin A Palmitate (1.0 MIU/gm)	1000 MIU	990.55	1500.00 (Roche)	51.43
3	Vitamin A Palmitate (117 MIU/gm)	"	1020.67	1500.00 (Roche)	46.96
4	Hydrocortisone	kg.	15513.00	19143.59	23.40
5	Acetazolamide	kg.	672.00	748.00	11.31

Items 1,2 & 3 are non-scheduled bulk drugs.

Items 4 & 5 are scheduled bulk drugs.

Prices of other scheduled bulk drugs have not been revised under DPCO, 1987.

Overcharging by drug companies

1240. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the companies whose instances of overcharging of prices have come to the notices of Government alongwith the names of ugs and finished medicines;

(b) whether Government have issued notice to any company under provision 15 of DPCO, 1987; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) M/s. Astra IDL was found to be charging their own prices for some of their products as per paragraph 14(3) of DPCO, 1979 or pending disposal of the review applications submitted by them against the prices fixed by the Government under DPCO, 1979. The prices of all such products have been fixed as per provisions of DPCO, 1987.

Change in the import policy for drugs

1241. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) names of the drugs for which the import policy was changed due to the recommendations of Government during the last three years;

(b) what were the basis on which each recommendation was made;

(c) what is the total requirement of each drug during 1988 and what was the production of each during the last three years, year-wise;

(d) whether it is a fact that the drug manufacturers have increased